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From the Editor:

Welcome to summer everyone. The weather has finally changed into what looks like a great golfing or token collecting season.

During the winter I was out and about a bit through Wellington County gathering information on token related businesses. At present I am doing the same in Huron County. One of the more noticeable differences in the countryside now as opposed to a few months ago, aside from the welcome site of robins and red-winged blackbirds is the activity on the golf courses. Although I enjoy sometimes watching professional golf on T.V., I am not a golfer. I have been told that golf is healthier than token collecting as it gets one out for the better part of a day, which is spent with much walking, carrying heavy bags and generally full of exercise related activity.

All of this is undoubtably true sort of. I have the greatest respect for golfers and admire those I see on the courses I pass by, but when you think of it, I often spend hours walking through grave yards, up and down village main streets and doing many other things which get me out in the fresh air and supply me with a bit of exercise. At the same time I am gathering information which is of importance, at least to me, and hopefully others will derive some benefit and pleasure from my endeavors as well.

At any rate I am going to continue my romps throughout the whistle stops and cross roads or rural Ontario for as long as I am able, and when I finally give this up, I might take up golf.

Along with summer and the good weather is another issue of *Numismatica Canada*. I would like to thank all of those who have taken away good golfing time for their efforts in contributing to this issue.

Have a good summer everyone and enjoy some golf along with your token collecting pursuits.

Editor.

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N. S. LUSTY - RODNEY, ONTARIO

A PREVIOUSLY UNRECORDED COUNTERMARK

-Len Buth, FCNRS

Breton 719 - Bank of Upper Canada, 1850 - One Penny - no dot

The writer was attracted to this countermark of N.S. Lusty, shown on an 1850 Bank of Upper Canada 1850 one penny, as the Lusty family name was a prominent one in the writer's home town of Rodney, Ontario. Research was undertaken to establish if this N.S. Lusty was related to the Lusty families of Rodney.

N.S. Lusty was indeed from Rodney, Ontario. A thorough review of *Canada Census* data from 1861 to 1911 confirmed only one N.S. Lusty was recorded in all of Canada, and he is listed as living in Rodney, Aldborough Township, Elgin County, Ontario.

Nathaniel Stanley Lusty was born on May 24, 1833 at Oakville, Ontario, the son of Thomas King Lusty and Elizabeth Lusty [nee Coates], who had immigrated to Canada from England in 1820.

N.S. Lusty, and his three brothers, Richard, Milton and Theodore first came to Rodney in 1863 to visit their uncle, Richard Coates and family. As the four brothers were experienced mill and timber men they all decided to stay in Rodney as a new saw and shingles mill, owned by Messrs. Stoddard & Stewart from Erieau, Ontario, was being completed and needed workers. N.S. Lusty had entered the labour force at age 12, working at a sawmill in Oakville owned by a relative.

In 1864 Nathaniel married Mary Hoskins, a Rodney resident. They had four daughters and four sons. Two children died in infancy.

N.S. Lusty was an enterprising and industrious businessman in Rodney.

In 1863 while working at the sawmill, he is also recorded as a "millwright and builder" and in 1865 constructed a hotel for his father-in-law, William Hoskins. In 1891 he was operating his own saw and planing mill, which he owned with his two sons, William and Ernest. By 1902 the mill operation had been taken over by his sons, and they sold it in 1908. By 1879 N.S. Lusty constructed the chimney for the Baptist Church, and in 1898 he and his sons built the Zion Evangelical Church.

By 1910 N.S. Lusty and his son William had formed the Lusty Lumber Co., which was totally destroyed by a fire in 1913. The same fire engulfed the Canada Casket Co. in which the Lustys were major shareholders. There is a poem written by Roy Ward of Rodney entitled *"Do You Remember ?"* concerning various citizens, part of which reads:

"Bill Morris ran the grocery
At the northern end of town.
Nat Lusty ran the sawmill
'Til one day it did burn down."

In Nathaniel's obituary mention is made that he "was noted as one of the greatest lumbermen in Western Ontario".

Mr. Lusty was also a very community minded individual and contributed greatly to the village's development and well-being. He held many public offices.

In 1901 when Rodney became a police village, N.S. Lusty was elected both chairman and trustee. He was re-elected a trustee for 1902-1904. He became treasurer of the incorporated Village of Rodney in 1907, and held this post until his demise in 1920. He was also treasurer of the local hydro commission.

Nathaniel, at various times, further served as a Deputy Reeve of Aldborough Township and as a member of County of Elgin Council. In 1904 he became justice of the peace, a position he also held until his death.

In 1885 N.S. Lusty became a charter member of the Masonic Lodge #411, and a charter member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows [I.O.O.F.] in 1892, and in which he held the position of Vice-Grand for many years. Additionally he was an officer of the Independent Order of Foresters [I.O.F.], Court St. Clair. For many years he was a director of the Aldborough Agricultural Society.

He was a member of the Christian Church and held the positions of deacon, as well as treasurer.

Nathaniel Stanley Lusty died on May 11, 1920 at the family residence "Stanley Place" in Rodney at the age of 87. He is buried at Rodney Cemetery. The Rodney Cemetery Company was formed in 1895, and Mr. Lusty was a founding member and a director for many years. His wife Mary died on March 24, 1926.

The obituary for Mr. Lusty described him as "one of Rodney's most respected citizens and a man of sterling character". Other quotes included "perhaps there is nobody living in Rodney who did more for the village than he did"; and "as a mark of respect the business of the town was suspended during the hour of his funeral".

The above photograph of Mr. Lusty was taken in 1917, at a meeting of the hydro commission while he was still treasurer of that entity. The photograph was copied from the book *Rodney 1870 - 1950*, and was the only photograph found that could be copied with some clarity.

It is presumed the countermarked token had the purpose to function as a personal item, or pocket piece, and no other specimens are know at this time. As collectors will know there are many tokens, and coins, showing an imprint of initials and surnames, but few are ever identifiable. Accordingly, it was fortuitous to be able to do so for this piece. The N.S. Lusty name imprint was struck from a single punch. Mr. Lusty did not issue any merchant tokens that are known.

The countermark name of N.S. Lusty is not recorded in either of Gregory G. Brunk's two catalogues *American and Canadian Countermarked Coins [1987]*, or *Merchant and Privately Countermarked Coins [2003]*. Additionally, it is not listed in Warren Baker's *Marked Impressions [2006]*.

This article will conclude with a few paragraphs regarding the establishment and history of Rodney, Ontario.

Rodney is situated in southern Ontario approximately 70 kms southwest of London. Settlers began arriving in the early 1800s after Col. Thomas Talbot had received his land grants for the area. Rodney was originally named Centreville, a name derived from its central location between Newbury, which had the depot operated by the Great West Railway as early as 1851, and Port Glasgow which in the early days received sailing vessels bringing settlers and goods. The Port also handled the outgoing shipments of timber and wood products, such as shingles. The Centreville area was surveyed in the early 1850s by Col. Richard Airey, a nephew of Col. Talbot. The Canada Southern Railroad came to Rodney in 1873, and further contributed to the growth of the village.

The name Rodney was adopted in 1865 after the Post Master General of Upper Canada, John Morris, visited Centreville and determined a post office would be established. Morris however did not like the name Centreville and as a result Rodney was chosen for the new post office. It is named after Admiral George Rodney, a noted British naval officer. During 1748-1751 he had served as the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Newfoundland, and he also had minor involvement during the Siege of Louisbourg in 1758.

In 1901 the County Council of the County of Elgin passed by-law 621, setting Rodney apart as a "police village". A police village was a form of municipal government used in the Province of Ontario beginning in the early 19th century. It was used in situations where the finances and or population of the area did not permit the creation of an incorporated village. A police village had its own elected governing body of trustees, who could establish fire and safety regulations, erect street lights and build sidewalks, but otherwise remained a part of the township from which it had been created.

Rodney was incorporated as a village on December 27, 1907.

Sources:

- various business directories
- *The Beginning of Rodney* - believed to be an unpublished paper, compiled and signed by Ernest G. Lusty, son of N.S. Lusty. 33 pages, ca 1950.
- *The Rodney Mercury* - various issues
- *The St.Thomas Times Journal* - various issues
- *Rodney 1870 - 1950* - John Sinclair Dorland, 1985
- *Aldborough - The Township with a Past* - Harley Lashbrook, 2001

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WILLIAM L. EFFRICK

NIAGARA FALLS, SOUTH

New Ontario Token Find

-Len Buth, FCNRS

A previously unlisted Ontario merchant token as below, has recently surfaced.

aluminum 22mm

It will be noted the location is shown as Niagara Falls, South. Niagara Falls was originally known, and incorporated, as the Town of Clifton in 1856. The name Clifton was changed to the Town of Niagara Falls in 1881. In 1882 the community of Drummondville [located near the present day corner of Lundy's Lane and Main Street] was incorporated as the Village of Niagara Falls. The Village was referred to as Niagara Falls South to differentiate it from the Town. In 1904, the Town and Village amalgamated to form the City of Niagara Falls.

Based on the foregoing, the token would have been in use prior to 1904.

The issuer of the token, William L. Effrick was born on March 16, 1859. He was the son of John and Margaret Effrick. William married Maggie Miller on June 15, 1881, and subsequently they had four children. At the time of the marriage, William was a market gardener. Census data for 1901 indicates his occupation as a grocer, and as a retail merchant in the 1911 Census.

William died on March 8, 1943. His wife Maggie had passed away in 1932.

The Effricks were involved in various community activities, with Maggie frequently making the social pages in the local paper, *The Niagara Falls Gazette*. William's obituary in the same newspaper indicated his funeral was attended by the mayor, civic officials, prominent citizens, and many friends. He had been a member of the St. Mark's Masonic Lodge; the Frontier Game Protective Association; and the Loon Lake Hunt Club of which he was an honorary president. He is buried at the Drummond Hill Cemetery.

The two "maltese" crosses on the reverse of the token are of interest. Very few Ontario tokens are known to be of this style. The few known exceptions include: bakery tokens for McNeil's [Beamsville], Rodgers [Hamilton], and Lougher [Kingston]; and merchant tokens for Allison [Alvinston], and Ketchabaw [Frogmore]. The maker of this type of token is unknown, and if a reader has any information in this regard, the writer would be appreciative receiving any details.

Sources:
- Canada Census – 1861-1921
- *The Niagara Falls Gazette*
- various Ontario business directories

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Members Met in Niagara Falls

The Canadian Association of Token collectors would like to thank the executive of the Ontario Numismatic Association for providing us with a meeting room in Niagara Falls during the 53rd annual O.N.A. convention.

We held our meeting in the Canadian Room of the Crowne plaza Hotel from 1 pm until 3 pm on Saturday, 18th April, 2015.

The rather informal meeting was enjoyed by those present. Our secretary-treasurer, Len Kuenzig brought us up to date with our finances, which are at present in good order.

Harry James spoke on tokens and medals from Ingersoll. Thomas Ingersoll, the founder of the town in Oxford County was the father of Laura Secord, probably the most well-known historic heroine in the Niagara district so was able to very loosely tie in the topic to this area. The town of Ingersoll was responsible for enough tokens and medals to form a small collection on its own.

The following were present at the meeting: Jeff Wilson, Borden, ON; Melvin Kyle, Wyoming, ON; Len Buth, London, ON; Gene Belair, New Britain, CT, U.S.A.; mike Johnston, Hanover, ON; Tony Hine, Toronto, ON; Todd Hume, Fort Erie, ON; Len Trakalo, Brantford, ON; Alan Roy, Hamilton, ON; Jeff Fournier, North Bay, ON; Harry James, St. Thomas, ON; Len Kuenzig, Mississauga, ON; Scott Douglas, Acton, ON.

Our next meeting will be held in conjunction with the upcoming R.C.N.A. convention to be held in Halifax in July. Hope to see you there.

JOHN W. MARKS TAILOR PETROLIA, ONT.

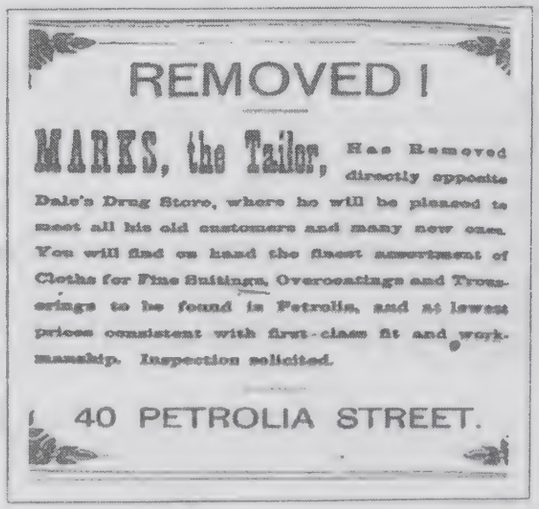
By M. H. Kyle.

This street scene of Petrolia is courtesy of the Lambton County Library.

The MARKS Tailor Shop is the frame building second from right with his sign on the front facade, the second floor looks to be the living quarters, note the wide sidewalks without paved streets. This photo taken after Marks went into business on his own in 1893. Most of these building have been replaced with brick structures in an attempt to lower the fire hazard in this Oil refining town built of wood. (a bylaw to enforce this practice was introduced, it remains in effect to this day) Imperial Oil and Canadian Oil (White Rose) were located here, Canadian Oil was purchased by Shell Oil, later both refineries were moved to locations south of Sarnia on the St. Clair river.

John W. Marks (1858-1933) his wife Jemima Marks (Mac Callum) (1859-1955) survived by their daughter

John was born in London where he earned the tailoring trade following his education in the schools there. At age 13 John suffered a debilitating accident that prevented his participation in active sports, not his ability to become an excellent tailor. He was able to be an active member of the Petrolia Lawn Bowling Club in which he held office for many years. John is described as having a great sense of humor and a keen observer of sports .


REMOVED !

MARKS, the Tailor, Has Removed directly opposite Dale's Drug Store, where he will be pleased to meet all his old customers and many new ones. You will find on hand the finest assortment of Cloths for Fine Suitings, Overcoatings and Trouserings to be found in Petrolia, and at lowest prices consistent with first-class fit and workmanship. Inspection solicited.

40 PETROLIA STREET.

As a young man he came to Petrolia taking a position with the tailoring business of S.D. Swift, he later worked for Cameron and McLean. In an advertisement in the Petrolia Advertiser dated April 22nd 1892 he is listed as a partner of Marks and Coyle at 53 Main St. Later on May 1st 1893 in an advertisement he is listed as Marks the tailor at 40 Main St. Petrolia. He remained at this location for the next 40 years. Near the end his health was in decline, he was unable to operate his shop for the last three months, however his death came suddenly on 29th of March 1933.

Marks The Tailor / Established /Feb.1892
Souvenir Petrolia / Old Boys Reunion / (A maple leaf) Aug. 1908
James Listing P-45-MC-1 A-R-31

Good For / $1.00 / On / Cash Purchase / of Suit Or Overcoat / John W. Marks / Petrolia, Ont. British Boer War / Peace / In / South / Africa / Oct. 11, 1899. To May 31,1902 (clasped Hands)

	James Listing P-45-Mc-2hi	A-R-28
Same but	P-45-Mc-2hii	B-R-28
Same but	P-45-Mc-2hiii	C-R-28
Same but	P-45-Mc-2hiv	W-R-28

The tokens are from the collection of the late Ken Palmer. Material in this article complements of the Lambton County Library

The Allen Shoe Co., Mount Forest & Drayton

By Harry N. James FCNRS

Two tokens are known to have been used by the Allen Shoe Co. which was in operation in Mount Forest and Drayton. Alexander Allen, born in Tubbercurry, Sligo County, Ireland on the 2nd of May, 1827 immigrated to Canada in 1856. His parents were John Allen, 1804 - 1856 and M. McKenzie. He was married to Harriet Anne Thompson in 1854 in Sheffield, England. Harriet was born on the 25th of May 1835 in Mt. Shannon, Galway, Ireland.

Alexander and Harriet Allen first settled in Riverstown, Arthur Township, Wellington County. Alex was a farmer, storekeeper, shoemaker, first postmaster, and practical veterinarian.

In 1861 the Allens were living in Drayton, Ontario where he was a shoemaker. George Allen, Alex's brother was living with them at this time. He was also a shoemaker. They had three children at this time, Mary Ellen, born in 1855, George, born in 1857 and Harriet in 1859. Five more children were born to them over the next 15 years. These were: Alex Hildane, born in 1861; John Thompson, born in 1863; William James (Rubert), born in 1867; Charles Derondo, born in 1868; Eliza Ann, born in 1871; and Marcella born in 1874.

They moved to Mount Forest in 1878. In 1881 Alexander's son, John Thompson, 17 at the time, was working with him as a shoemaker.

In 1901, at the age of 74, Alexander Allen was still listed as a shoemaker. His wife, Harriet Anne, and his daughter, Marcella were still living with him at this time. Harriet died in 1905. Alexander Allen lived on until the 30th of March 1914 when he died at the age of 86 years, 10 months and 28 days.

At least two of the sons, John Thompson Allen and George Lyttleton Allen carried on with the family shoe business in Mount Forest.

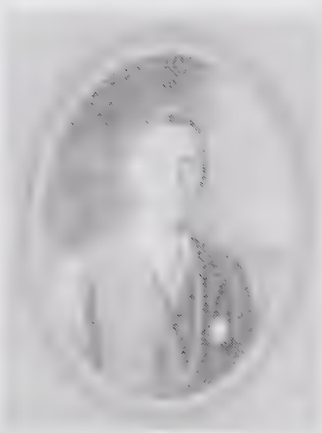
John Allen was still with the business until at least1924. He married Alice Christina Euart on the 5th of September of 1888. They had three sons, Charles Evert, born in 1898, Harry Thompson, born 1902 and George Austin in 1905. On the 5th of October, 1924 Alice Allen died. In 1927 he married Charlotte Anna Hopkins in Hillsborough, Florida. They lived in St. Petersburg for some years where he owned apartments. He died at the age of 90 in 1953 and is buried in Mount Forest.

John Thompson Allen 1863 - 1953

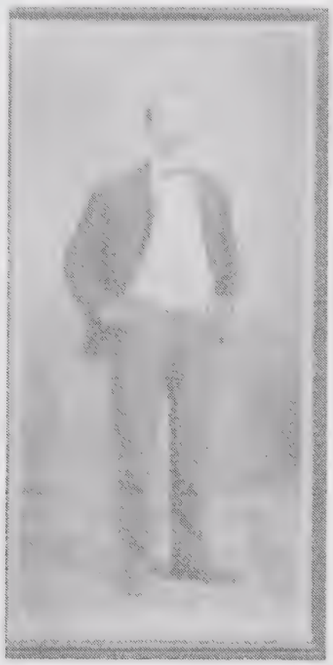
George Lyttleton Allen was born in Arthur, Ontario on the 24th of April 1857. He married Margaret Jane Watson on the 29th of December, 1886. He was a partner in the Boot and Shoe business at the time of their marriage. In 1889 they had a daughter, Jessie, born in Mount Forest. In 1921 he was the manager of the store.

Margaret died in 1928 and George lived until 1945. He died in Renforth, New Brunswick at the age of 88. They are buried in the Mount Forest Cemetery.

George Lyttleton Allen
1905



Alex Hildane Allen b. 1861



Charles Derondo Allen
1868 - 1946

William James (Rube) Allen
1867 -1947*

Harriet Anne Allen 1834-1905

Elizabeth Allen 1871-1945

Marcella Allen 1874-1959

The Allen brothers. Seated left - Charles Derono. Right - George Lyttleton. Standing left - Alex Hildane. Right - John Thompson. William (Not in photo) performed in Vaudeville. *It is likely that this his portrait is a publicity photo. (Previous page)

When the Allen Brothers were in business they made use of two tokens. The one offered a 5% discount on a cash purchase. The other issued in 1902 carries the typical Boer War "Clasped Hands" device common to many tokens supplied by the Cranston Novelty Company of Galt, Ontario.

The tokens are both round, the first being 24 mm in diameter and the 1902 piece, 25 mm.

THE ALLEN SHOE CO. / WEAR OUR / SHOES / MT. FOREST / & / DRAYTON
GOOD FOR / 5 PER CENT / DISCOUNT / ON A CASH / PURCHASE
This token was struck in aluminum, brass, copper and white metal.

THE ALLEN SHOE CO. / WEAR OUR / SHOES / MT. FOREST / & / DRAYTON
BRITISH-BOER WAR / PEACE / SOUTH AFRICA / OCT. 11, 1899 TO MAY 31, 1902. (Clasped hands)

By the very early 1920s the store was being operated by John Thompson Allen on his own. It was now J. T. Allen Shoes.

An ad placed in the *Mount Forest Representative* in July of 1923 shows the end of the Allen Shoe business in Mount Forest, by McArthur Shoe Co. that they are the successors to J. T. Allen. The Allens had been making and selling shoes in Wellington County for nearly 65 years.

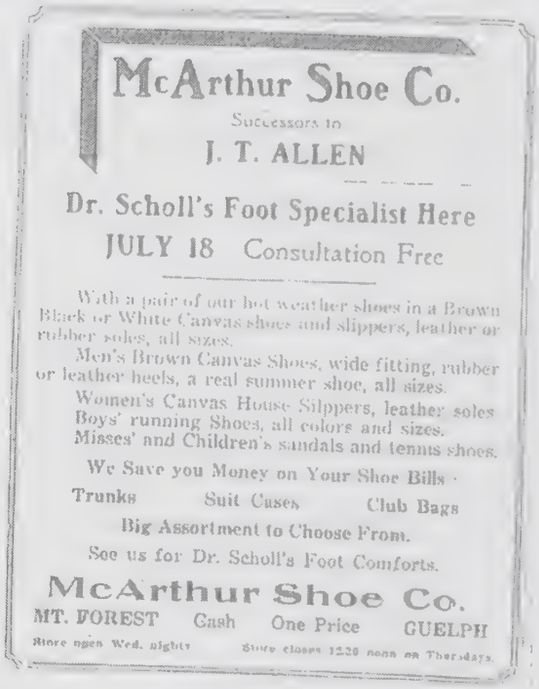
BARGAINS IN

Summer Footwear

Men's, Women's, Boys' and Girls Canvas Shoes boxed with leather will give extra good wear, selling away below cost to clear out the lines, at

ALLEN BROS.

Ad from the Mount Forest Representative of 4 August 1898


McArthur Shoe Co.

Successors to

J. T. ALLEN

Dr. Scholl's Foot Specialist Here

JULY 18 Consultation Free

With a pair of our hot weather shoes in a Brown Black or White Canvas shoes and slippers, leather or rubber soles, all sizes.

Men's Brown Canvas Shoes, wide fitting, rubber or leather heels, a real summer shoe, all sizes.

Women's Canvas House Silppers, leather soles

Boys' running Shoes, all colors and sizes.

Misses' and Children's sandals and tennis shoes.

We Save you Money on Your Shoe Bills

Trunks Suit Cases Club Bags

Big Assortment to Choose From.

See us for Dr. Scholl's Foot Comforts.

McArthur Shoe Co.

MT. FOREST Cash One Price GUELPH

Store open Wed. night Store closes 12.30 noon on Thursdays.

McArthur Shoe Co. Successor to J. T. Allen July 1923

From the *Mount Forest Representative* of 31 January 1907, a special edition for the Old Boys Reunion. A prominent place of business here is Allen Bros. up-to-date boot and shoe store, where one of the largest and most elaborate stocks of footwear is kept in this part of the country. Their stock includes the finest of winter footwear, such as Cardigans for women, overshoes and felt goods generally. And all their goods are from the very best Canadian houses, and have the stamp of merit upon them. So that when you purchase a pair of boots or shoes or felt goods, you can depend upon always receiving the very best value for your money. And in addition to this all their goods are bought with a due regard as to quality and price. Their stock this season is an exceptionally fine one, and you never make any mistake in making your purchases there. Allen Bros. also carry a very large stock of trunks, valises, club bags, which they are selling very reasonably. When you want footwear of any kind try them and get their prices first.

They have doubled the capacity of their store, having today one of the most modern shoe stores in the Province. For men their leaders are Astoria, Derby, Walkover, Tuttle, Sovereign. For ladies they show the Queen Quality, Empress, Victoria; for children they have the Classic and Instructor. They have a splendid hall on the third flat for concerts and entertainments of all kinds which they control themselves. Mr. Thompson Allen is a member of the Board of Education, while Geo. L. Allen, who served on the School Board for five years and was six years a member of the town Council, is well known throughout the Province and past president of the Canadian Lacrosse Association. As townsmen Allen Bros are among Mt. Forest's best known, most progressive and popular citizens.

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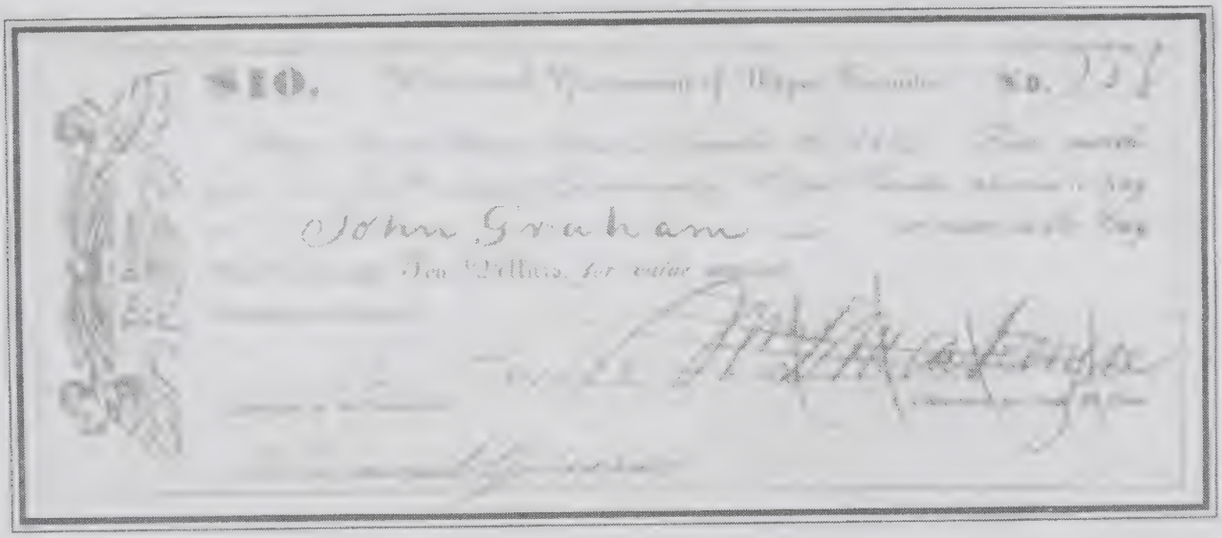
William Lyon MacKenzie Issued Provisional Government Scrip



As part of the plan to take over power, Mackenzie's provisional government issued its own scrip although by December 27, when this ten-dollar certificate was signed and dated, the rebels were already in exile on Navy Island in the Niagara River. Needless to say, the bill was never cashed.

From:

Sobol, Julie Macfie and Sobol, Ken. *Lake Erie - a Pictorial History*. The Boston Press, Erin Ontario, 2004.

Medallion on Ribbon From St. Thomas Horse Show of 1907 Found at Christie Antique Show in May of 2015

Harry N. James FCNRS

A medallion attached to a blue ribbon which was given out at a horse show held in St. Thomas, Ontario in 1907 was one of a few lucky purchases I was able to make at the Christie Antique Show held on the 23rd of May.

The show, held in 1907 was the second annual event of its type, and the success of this particular show would determine the future outcome of the event. The first show, held in 1906 was an experiment to see what public opinion and the reception of horsemen in general would lead to.

In June of 1907, W. B. Kingsmill, W. K. Pearce, George McCall amd L. H. Dingman, a deputation from the St. Thomas Horse Show Association, asked for a grant towards the show from the Elgin County Council.

The same committee approached the executive of the Granite Curling Club for the use of the rink for the horse show on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 17th and 18th. The committee were informed that the Granite Rink Company erected the building for horse shows and things of that kind. They were willing to give the rink for a very small amount - $75 for the two days but if the City Council persisted in imposing a license fee the rental would be more than doubled and full value of the premises demanded.

Whether the horse Show Committee got everything they were looking for or not is uncertain. However, the show turned out to be a resounding success and the likelihood of the event becoming an annual show was ensured. For the two days preceding the show horses and their owners and attendants arrived from all points, and nearly every stable in the city contained a large number of valuable animals.

Hon. Adam Beck arrived in the city with his string of eight horses and hounds that had made

HON. ADAM BECK

a great stir at the International Horse Show in London, England. This also contributed to the popularity of the event and helped guarantee its success.

The "Minister of Power" in the Ontario Cabinet is as famous a horseman as he is an advocate of cheap power. His string of horses and hounds are now in the city, and will be one of the big features of the St. Thomas Horse Show. Mr. Beck phoned to Secretary Kingsmill that he and Mrs. Beck and Miss Clouston, of Montreal will be over this afternoon and they will occupy their box at the rink. Mr. And Mrs. Beck will also be seen driving some of their fine horses, which created such a furore at the International Horse Show in London, England. (From the *St. Thomas Daily Times* of 17th September, 1907).

The show proved itself to be an all-round success. The quality, as well as the quantity of the horses exhibited were of the very best, so the judges said: The contests in the various classes were keen and the attendance was greater than expected. The first afternoon there were from 1,000 to 1,500 people in the rink, the crowd swelling to about 3,000 by the evening. The feature of the evening was of course the performance of Hon. Adam Beck , M.P.P., of London, and the famous team of English fox hounds - exactly the same performance as won the world's championship at the International horse Show, in London, England.

THE CUP WINNERS

GARLAND CUP - For best horse and runabout, amateurs, won by Lord Brilliant. Mrs. W. E. Robinson, London.

THE TIMES PLATE - For best pair roadster trotters, won by Lady Creusceus and Lulu McGregor, Miss K. S. Wilks, Galt.

JACKSON MEDAL - For best single harness horse, owned by farmer, won by Tom Duncan Brown, Iona.

ERMATINGER CUP - for best pair agricultural horses, won by Dick and Rock, Dougald McGibbon, Shedden.

MELROSE CUP - for best 1907 King Melrose foal, won by King Billy, "Mitch" Hepburn, Union.

CHATEAU CUP - for best Chateau colt, won by Priam, David Aarchibald, St. Thomas.

The St. Thom

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Rink Packed on Famous First Day of St. Thomas Horse Show

The medallion depicted at the beginning of this article is of brass and 45 mm in diameter. The legend is incused and darkened. The ribbon and medallion would be attached to the horse's bridle. What this prize was awarded for is unknown.

It is interesting to note that the winner of the MELROSE CUP, King Billy, "Mitch" Hepburn, of Union, Ontario became Premier of Ontario about 40 years after this event.

Sources:

The St. Thomas Daily Times, various from June 1907, September 17th, 1907, September 18th, 1907.

Thos. Desantis Supply House – Sherkston, Ont.

By Tim Grawey

Today, Sherkston Shores is a vibrant resort on the north shore of Lake Erie. Falling within the City of Port Colborne, Ontario, it consists of 560 acres including two and a half miles of sandy beachfront and offers home rentals, RV's, camping and an assortment of other related amenities. Being less than 30 minutes from Buffalo, New York and in close proximity to Toronto allows it to draw thousands of tourists.

In the 19th century this area was known as Shisler Point, subsequently Sherkston and fell within Humberstone Township which was all amalgamated into the City of Port Colborne in 1970.

Thomas Desantis Supply House is inextricably linked with the limestone and mining operation which began at Shisler Point in the 19th century. Abram Shisler born in 1814 in Humberstone was the son of John and Susanna Shisler who had emigrated from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. In addition to a large farming operation, Abram began to operate a stone and lime business in 1860.[1] In 1886 Shisler leased his plant to Carroll Bros. of Buffalo.[2]

1902 would prove to be a turning point when the Lackawanna Steel Plant began operations in Buffalo. The state of the art facility used a process that needed high quality limestone. A secondary company of Lackawanna Steel, Empire Limestone Company obtained leasing rights to Carroll Bros. Quarry and Lime Works and acquired much of Abram Shisler's land along the lake.

By 1906 the quarry works at Shisler Point employed approximately 425 workers the majority of which were largely of Italian and eastern European extraction. Worker accommodations were provided for by two distinct villages and a large boarding house. The villages were divided along ethnic lines with Italian workers living in a small community on the east side of the quarry and Hungarians and other eastern Europeans occupying much of the former housing of the Carrolton community.[3]

This quarry operation would allow Thomas Desantis to prosper as an entrepreneur. Born in Italy in 1862, 1864 or 1865 (depending on the source), Desantis migrated to Niagara Falls New York in 1889 and to Canada in 1900. In 1901 he resided temporarily in Toronto[4]. By 1902 he was living in Ridgeway, now a part of Fort Erie and a neighbouring community to Shisler Point.[5] Within a year of arriving at Shisler Point in 1902 he established a general store.[6] Thomas

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[1] Wilhelm, William, *Ghosts of Shisler Point*, unpublished manuscript.
[2] *A History of Humberstone Township Incorporated 1850*, p. 98.
[3] Wilhelm, William, *Ghosts of Shisler Point*, unpublished manuscript.
[4] *Library and Archives Canada*, 1901 Census.
[5] *Farmers and Business Directory for the Counties of Haldimand, Lincoln, Welland and Wentworth 1902*, p. 99.
[6] Wilhelm, William, *Ghosts of Shisler Point*, unpublished manuscript.

Desantis would have a unique relationship with the Empire Limestone Co., one that would allow him to prosper both in business and as a community leader.

Tom had the decided advantage of being fluent in both Italian and English, a trait which the mining company regarded very favourably and one which Tom put to good use. Although Tom never worked directly for the Empire Limestone Com., he was very much their agent in matters of labour relations. His role was to obtain workers for the quarry operation and for which he received a per capita commission. In addition he was also regarded as a patriarch to his fellow countrymen looking after their personal needs as required and taking care of burials when they died.[7]

"Big Tom", the moniker he acquired had both a social and business relationship with Shisler Point residents, leading him to become embroiled in legal matters, specifically bootlegging. In 1903 he was "fined $40 and costs for keeping liquor without a licence."[8] Evidently, Big Tom's business and social enterprises crossed paths!

Desantis continued to operate his store as the *1906 Ontario Commercial Year Book and Gazetteer* lists him as a grocer in Sherkston, Humberstone Township while the *1910-1911 Province of Ontario Gazetteer & Directory* records him as having a general store at Shisler Point. It is quite probable that his wife Mary and sons Saverio and John would have assisted him in the store.

The mining operation and quarry ceased operating in 1916 although the Empire Limestone Company would continue to sell sand. Thomas Desantis would continue to operate his store until the mid-1920's when it was closed and he retired to Niagara Falls, New York. In the early 1930's Desantis rented the Skerkston quarry and the adjacent Empire Beach from the Empire Limestone Company becoming the first business person (with the assistance of his son John) to operate the quarry and beach as a recreational area until his death on August 12, 1944.

"Big Tom" had been a member of the Italian-American Businessmen's Association, the Sons of Italy Grand Lodge in Niagara Falls N. Y. and the Holy Name Society of St. Joseph's Church in Niagara Falls, N. Y. His funeral was at St. Patrick's Church and he was interred at Mount St. Joseph Cemetery all in Port Colborne.[9]

While operating his store, Tom Desantis issued two tokens of zinc composition as follows:

THOS. DESANTIS	THOS. DESANTIS
SUPPLY HOUSE	SUPPLY HOUSE
SHERKSTON, ONT.	SHERKSTON, ONT.
GOOD FOR	GOOD FOR
2C	1C
MERCHANDISE	IN MERCHANDISE

[7] Wilhelm, William, Ghosts of Shisler Point, unpublished manuscript
[8] Port Colborne Times and Humberstone Review, October 27, 1903 (provided by William Wilhelm)
[9] Welland-Port Colborne Evening Tribune, August 14, 1944 (provided by William Wilhelm)

Empire Limestone Co. Quarry at Sherkston. Early 1900s.

Lime Kilns at Empire, Sherkston. Wood was used for fuel to burn lime here before gas was available.

Images

Token images courtesy of William Wilhelm.

Tombstone of Thomas and Mary Desantis at Mount St. Joseph Cemetery, Port Colborne. Photo courtesy of William Wilhelm shows from the left, Big Tom Desantis, Jacob Wilhelm (whom he rented his store and post office from), Lizzie Wilhelm, Herb Wilhelm and Tom's wife Mary Desantis.

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New Find by R. Craig

The Imperial Cotton Co. Ltd. Hamilton, Ontario

Brass, Octagonal, 20 mm.

The token was purchased from an American collection of textile company tokens and was attributed to Hamilton, Ontario.

Textile production at the turn of the century into the 1900's in Hamilton was second only to the steel mills in importance to the economy there. Charles Grantham, John and Edmond Patterson, and James Young built The Imperial Cotton Co. Ltd. at 270 Sherman Ave. N. in 1900. Soon it was Hamilton's second largest mill producing heavy cotton duck for ships' sails, tents, and other industrial uses. In 1924 the company was merged into Cosmos-Imperial Mills Ltd. and operated through to 1972.

The building at 270 Sherman not only still stands but is undergoing a complete rebirth as a complex of creative arts and small manufacturing. Over 50 units of space are rented as workshops, artists' studios, and as period backdrops for movies and television. It is a fair comparison to what has been made of the Distillery District in downtown Toronto.

Since production by the early company was primarily for heavy industrial uses rather than a retail clientele a question arises about the need for and use of a 3c token. It is always possible there was sufficient retail business to justify tokens, but it has been suggested that this token could have been for internal use as in an employee's cafeteria.

George Burns was a dry goods merchant who, while on a trip to London, England, discovered a clothing merchant there of the same name who used a copper token advertising his business. Mr. Burns secured several pieces and used them for awhile in his own store in London, Ontario. Mr. Burns was in business from 1861 until 1898. He was located on Dundas Street for a long time

Obverse:-	Head of Queen Victoria facing left surrounded by VICTORIA REGINA	
Reverse:-	GEO^{E} BURNS / CLOTHING / LONDON	C-R-22

The Carling family operated a brewery business in London for 96 years. They were originally on Waterloo Street at Pall Mall. In 1875 they opened a new plant at Talbot & Piccadilly. The brewery closed December 31, 1936. They were responsible for the striking of tokens in four denominations. The exact use of the tokens has not been determined.

Obverse:-	The Carling trademark of a signature on a cross within a circle is surrounded by CARLING above and LONDON below.	
Reverse:-	GOOD FOR / 1	A-Oc-22
Obverse:-	Same as previous	
Reverse:-	GOOD FOR / 4	A-Oc-22
Obverse:-	Same as previous	
Reverse:-	GOOD FOR / 6	A-Oc-22
Obverse:-	Same as previous	
Reverse:-	GOOD FOR / 9	A-Oc-22

The Peoples Life Insurance Company of Canada was located in the Duffield Block at 213 Dundas Street from 1903 until 1904 or 05. A token supplied by the Cranston Novelty Company of Galt was issued by W. R. Colby, the agent for this company.

Obverse:- THE PEOPLES / a maple leaf / LIFE / INSURANCE / COMPANY / OF CANADA
Reverse:- GOOD FOR / $1.00 / ON / AN APPLICATION / FOR INSURANCE / W.R. COLBY AGENT / 4 DUFFIELD / BLOCK / LONDON, ONT.

A-R-28

This token is also struck in brass, copper and white metal.

In 1896 John Fawkes and his family opened a bakery and confectionery at 660 Dundas Street. In 1904 they had a second store at 200 Dundas and by 1910 they had a third store on Richmond Street. They made use of scalloped shaped tokens in the denomination of from 5¢ and going in increments of 5¢, to $1.00.

Obverse:- FAWKES' / LONDON, ONT.
Reverse:- 5 A-Sc8-29

Obverse:- same
Reverse:- 10 or 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 1.00
These tokens are struck in brass, copper and white metal as well as aluminum.

The Morkin House was located at 89-91 King Street, on the south side between Ridout and Talbot Streets.. It was operated by Edward Morkin from 1892 until 1921.

Edward Morkin was born in 1837 and arrived in Canada in 1851. In 1868 he owned the Victoria Hotel on the south-west corner of Wellington and Duke Streets. (Duke is now Dufferin St.). The Victoria Hotel was razed after 1891 to become the site of the First Methodist Church which opened in 1896. In 1892 Morkin took over the Martin House which he renamed Morkin House. Edward Morkin died in 1921.

Edward Morkin made use of a token good for putting a horse to hay. The token is of aluminum, round and 32 mm in diameter.
The token:

Obverse: ONE HORSE / TO HAY / MORKIN HOUSE
Reverse: blank except for beaded edge. A-R-33

This information on the Morkin House, thanks to Len Buth, of London, Ontario, who reported the existence of the token in 2008.

Frederick's Department store was located on Wellington Road south of the 401 from 1962 until 1965. This firm used 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ plastic tokens commonly known as "Freddios". The tokens came in red, green, light blue, dark blue, bright yellow and cream yellow colours.

Obverse:- A large F over the word FREDERICK'S
Reverse:- CASH VALUE / 5¢ / FREDDIO Pl-Hx-21

Obverse:- Same as previous
Reverse:- CASH VALUE / 10¢ / FREDDIO Pl-R-23

Obverse:- Same as previous
Reverse:- CASH VALUE / 25¢ / FREDDIO Pl-S-25

At least three businesses used an advertising medallion known as a "Spinner". These spinners have a raised dot on the obverse side allowing them to spin freely. An arrow on the design points to a particular person who then is required to pay for coffee or whatever. These tokens were popular in the 1960s.

The Green Lantern Restaurant on Adelaide Street south of Hamilton Road was one place which used this type of token. The Green lantern was opened in 1942 and is still in operation. This type of advertising token was available through Sydney Sugarman of Maple Leaf Press in Toronto. He had a similar token struck advertising the token itself.

Obverse:- GREEN LANTERN COFFEE SHOP / STOP IN / AND ENJOY / A GOOD CUP OF / COFFEE / 203 ADELAIDE ST. / LONDON, ONT.
In very tiny letters at the bottom are the words MADE IN U.S.A.
Reverse:- ROUND & ROUND / SHE GOES / YOU PAY (within an arrow) / WHERE SHE/ STOPS / NOBODY KNOWS A-R-32

Kernohan Lumber on Wellington Road south of the 401 also made use of this type of token.

Obverse:- YOU PAY "LESS" AT / PHONE / 432-3766 / LONDON / KERNOHAN LUMBER
In very tiny letters at the bottom - MADE IN U.S.A.
Reverse:- Same as previous. A-R-32

Campbell's Moving & Storage issued a similar piece. This firm started in London in 1956.

Obverse:- CAMPBELL'S / MOVING / & STORAGE / LONDON 438-7333
In very tiny letters at the bottom - MADE IN U.S.A.
Reverse:- Same as previous A-R-32

The John Friend Confectionery Store was located at 117 Dundas Street. A lunch could be had there for 20cents. This business was in operation from 1883 until 1910.

Obverse:- J. FRIEND / LONDON, ONT.
Reverse:- GOOD FOR / 20¢ / HOT DINNER A-R-28

Brothers, Walter and George Mann were coal and wood merchants on Clarence Street in London. In 1894 Walter Mann went into the bicycle business at 189 Dundas Street. In 1900 he moved back to the Clarence Street site. He used an advertising token in conjunction with his bicycle business. The four words on the reverse of his token refer to the names of the bicycles he sold.

Obverse:-	W. MANN & CO. LONDON, ONT. / 4 /BICYCLES	
Reverse:-	ALERT / CAPITAL / LONDON / STORM	A-R-18½

John McClary and his brother Oliver started out in London with a small tinsmith shop which eventually expanded into a major stoveworks factory employing 1,400 people by 1914. Their staff cafeteria made use of tokens in the denominations of 1¢, 2¢, 5¢ and 25¢. There are two varieties known of the 5¢ token. For a complete history of this firm see Ted Leitch's *Tokens & Medals of London Ontario.*

Obverse:-	McCLARY'S / 1¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	same as obverse	A-Oc-23
Obverse:-	McCLARY'S / 2¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	same as obverse	A-R-25
Obverse:-	McCLARY'S / 5¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	A-Sc8-29
Obverse:-	McCLARY'S / 5¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	A-Sc9-29
Obverse:-	McCLARY'S / 25¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	A-S-30

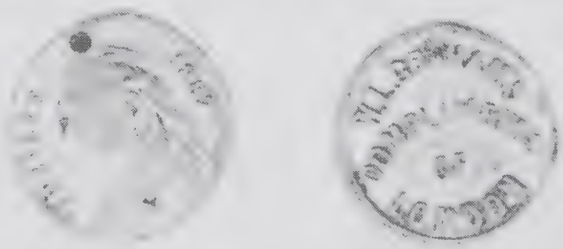
Another well-known London firm, the McCormick Biscuit Company also used tokens in their cafeteria. From a small candy factory on Dundas Street in 1858 the company eventually expanded into the giant company we are all familiar with on Dundas Street East. A 1¢, 3¢ and 10¢ token were used by this firm.

Obverse:-	McCORMICK / 1¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	A-Sc7-22
Obverse:-	McCORMICK / 3¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	B-Oc-20
Obverse:-	McCORMICK / 10¢ / CAFETERIA	
Reverse:-	Same as obverse	A-S-23

A variety of the 1¢ token appears with a wider "1". There is a variety of the 3¢ piece with the word "McCormick" closer to the border.

From 1880 until his death at the age of 35 in 1891, William Graham operated a Mens' Furnishing Business. The business started out on Richmond Street and eventually was located at 158 Dundas Street. The store was taken over by his brothers at his death and closed in 1930. W. L. Graham issued a medalet commemorating Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1887.

Obverse:-	Portrait of Victoria with JUBILEE to the left and 1887 to the right	
Reverse:-	W.L. GRAHAM'S / COMPLIMENTS / OF / LONDON	B-R-15



The Guarantee Tailoring Company was located on the second floor of 206 ½ Dundas Street from 1905 until 1909 when it moved to 227 Dundas. This business was managed by A. L. Klein. This business ceased operation in 1914.

Obverse:- ONE COIN GOOD FOR / $1^{00} / ON A SUIT / OR / OVERCOAT/ AT
Reverse:- THE GUARANTEE TAILORING CO. / 206 / DUNDAS ST. / LONDON, / ONT.
A-R-32

George W. Kent was the proprietor of a confectionery and ice cream parlour at 209 Dundas Street from 1890 until his death in 1929. The business was taken over by his sons who in 1951 converted the store into a restaurant and tavern.

Obverse:- G.W. KENT / LUNCH & / ICE CREAM / PARLOR / 209 DUNDAS ST. / LONDON, ONT.
Reverse:- 95

At the end of the British-Boer War in 1902, the Cranston Novelty Company of Galt supplied several different types of tokens commemorating peace in South Africa. The stock reverse dies were used by many businesses throughout Ontario at the war's end. Robert Frances Lacey had a leather goods manufactury at 395 Talbot Street in London from 1901 until 1904 and had an advertising token featuring one of the Cranston dies.

Obverse:- Within a circle LEATHER / HARNESS, / TRUNKS, GLOVES, SHOE LACES surrounded by OILS . R.F. LACEY & CO. LONDON, ONT. POLISHES

Reverse:- BRITISH-BOER WAR / PEACE IN / SOUTH AFRICA / OCT. 11. 1899. TO MAY 31. 1902 (Clasped hands) A-R-28

Brothers Cecil and Edwin Morris bought the London Leather Goods Company from J. A. Fox in 1932. At this time they were located at 200 Dundas Street. The business was destroyed by fire in 1963. Before the fire the company issued an advertising token. Many of the tokens were destroyed in the fire.

Obverse:- LONDON LEATHER GOODS CO. LTD. / THE/ HOUSE / OF / 1001 / GIFTS
Reverse:- a four leaf clover above the words LUCKY TOKEN B-R-22½

There are two tobacco related companies in London known to have used advertising tokens. The London Tobacco Company was located at the rear of 184-189 King Street from 1900 until 1902.

Obverse:- LONDON TOBACCO CO. / 25 / CHECKS / GOOD FOR / ONE / PLUG
Reverse:- BRANDS / PRIDE OF LONDON / CRACKER JACK / OUR OWN & 400
A-R-18

The Stirton & Dyer Company manufactured "Beresford Cigars" in London. They used an aluminum token or tag which was holed and wired to a cigar box. Fifty tags were good for a $5.00 purchase.

Obverse:- TRY THE / BERESFORD / CIGAR
Reverse:- STIRTON & DYER / 50 / TAGS / GOOD FOR / 500 A-R-19 (Top hole)

Walter Thomson and Son had a grain mill at the corner of Talbot and York Streets. Walter Thomson started business in London in 1888 and by the early 1900s they had mills in Mitchell and Seaforth as well. This firm issued a token which used one of the Cranston stock dies commemorating peace in south Africa. The portrait of a dove on this token was commonly used by many merchants throughout the province. This token is one of only a few that are attributable to more than one location.

Obverse:- BRITISH BOER WAR / PEACE IN / SOUTH AFRICA / OCT. 11. 1899 TO MAY 31. 1902. (A dove)
Reverse:- WITH COMPLIMENTS / OF / WALTER THOMSON / & SON / MILLERS & / GRAIN DEALERS / LONDON MITCHELL / & SEAFORTH / CANADA
A-R-28

This piece is struck in brass, copper and white metal as well as aluminum

Arthur J. Watson started a tailoring business in London in 1879. By 1901 the "Watson Company" was at 239 Dundas Street. From 1911 until its closing in 1935 their address was 726 Dundas which was the original location of the tailoring business. A token good for 25¢ was used by this firm while they were at 239 Dundas.

Obverse:- THE WATSON CO. / ☆ / TAILORS / 239 DUNDAS ST. / LONDON, ONT.
Reverse:- GOOD FOR / PRESSING / 25¢ / ONE PAIR OF PANTS A-R-24

From 1908 until 1917 Charles Barnes and Joseph Leah operated a furniture store at 364 Hamilton Road. They used a token good for $1.00 on a $20.00 purchase.

Obverse:- BARNES & CO. / CASH / OR / CREDIT / HOUSE FURNISHERS / 364 / HAMILTON ROAD / LONDON.
Reverse:- GOOD FOR / $1<u>00</u> / ON A / $20<u>00</u> / PURCHASE / OF / HOUSE FURNISHINGS A-R-29

Joe McManus owned the CJOE radio station in London from 1967 until 1973. The station made use of an advertising token.

Obverse:- SILENCE IS NO LONGER GOLDEN / CJOE
Reverse:- CJOE's / GOLDEN / NUGGET B-R-35 (legends incuse)

The Country Fare Restaurant at 253 Dundas Street was in business from 1964 until 1974. It was owned by Fred Escaf and William Atkins. They used a red plastic token to advertise their business.

Obverse:- COUNTRY / FARE / VALUE / 1 COFFEE
Reverse:- blank Pl-R-29 red

The Wheels Roller Skating Rink was located at 502 First Street from 1975 until it closed in 1988. They made use of a complimentary admission token.

Obverse:- Portrait of a mouse on roller skates within a circle surrounded by THE FAMILY RINK / WINDSOR-LONDON

Reverse:- A skate superimposed on a maple leaf with the words "AIR CONDITIONED"at top within a circle. Above circle WHEELS below ROLLER / SKATING all within a larger circle with the words COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSION above and SINCE 1975 below. A-R-40

In 1930 Field's Clothing started operation at 407 Richmond Street. From 1934 until 1945 they were at 416 Richmond and then until they closed in 1970 they were located at 111 Dundas Street. They made use of a "Lucky Piece" advertising token which enclosed a one cent piece.

Obverse:- KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE (on a horse shoe) symbols of a clover leaf and a wish bone I BRING / GOOD LUCK

Reverse:- FIELD'S $15 CLOTHES / ☆ SAVE AT FIELD'S ☆ / LONDON, ONT. MADE IN U.S.A.

There was a FIELD'S $15 CLOTHES outlet on Talbot Street in St. Thomas as well as the store in London.

The "Put-A-Penny" Company of Toronto made cardboard holders to enclose a 1¢ coin with their advertising on the obverse and the issuing store's ad on the reverse. Many stores across Canada used this type of advertising token during the 1930s and 1940s. Cliff Robinson had a meat and provision store at 202 Dundas Street from 1924 until 1952. For a few years he also operated stores at 613 Dundas, 729 Richmond Street and 77½ Wharncliffe Road.

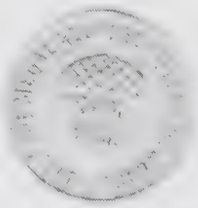
The Oak Hall Clothing Store on Dundas Street was one store of a chain with the head office in Hamilton, Ontario. William E. Sandford started the business in 1860. The W. E. Sandford Company was declared bankrupt in 1927 and the stores closed including the one in London. The store in London made use of two tokens that were specific to that store. There were also tokens issued that were good in any of the stores.

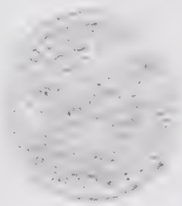
Obverse:- I AM WORTH / 25 / ✢ CENTS ✢ / AT / OAK HALL / LONDON / SEE THE OTHER SIDE
Reverse:- ONE COIN TAKEN / FOR / 25 / CENTS / ON A / PURCHASE / OF 5 DOLLARS OR OVER A-R-32

Obverse:- THE / LIVE OAK HALL / LONDON
Reverse:- SHOW TAG 1.00 / ALLOWED BEARER ON ANY / MAN'S SUIT OR OVERCOAT / PAT. / APPLIED / FOR / NO 390 W-Re-15x47
This token or tag came attached to a suit or overcoat with a small chain.

Obverse:- OAK / HALL on an acorn - with ONLY ONE MEDAL ALLOWED ON EACH PURCHASE . Around the perimeter.
Reverse:- GOOD FOR / 25¢ / BEFORE NOV. 15 99 / AT OAK HALL. / TORONTO, HAMILTON, / LONDON, WINDSOR, ST. CATHARINES, / ST. THOMAS, / WHEN BUYING $5 OR OVER A-R-19

Obverse:- Same as previous
Reverse:- Same as previous but dated Oct. 15, 99.





Oak Hall advertising mirror

To be continued next issue:

WANTED: Canadian War Amps License Key Return Tags from all provinces. T. B. Vets British Columbia license key return tags. Will buy oar trade. Send email to - larrydsw@sympatico.ca

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Wanted: East & Central Africa Medal, Uganda 1897-98 and Lubwa's clasps, awarded to RR RACEY. Family looking to recover long-lost decoration. Last spotted in July 2007. Spink UK auction. If anyone has seen/heard anything about this medal, please contact Jason at [illegible] Any information would be greatly appreciated.

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Wanted for my personal collection: Tokens and scrip of Ottawa and surrounding area (including milk, bread, merchants' due bills, etc., etc.). Also medals of all types (agricultural, school, athletic, exhibition, religious, etc.). Will purchase or trade. Contact: Chris Faulkner, 1460 Merivale Road, Box 78085, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K2E 1B1.

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For Sale: Canadian Miscellaneous tokens & medals; my lists are available by e-mail or snail mail. My speciality is collector/dealer manufacturer pieces. Barry Uman, 242 Sedgefield, Pointe Claire, Qc, H9R 1P2 Canada. E-mail clarinets@videotron.ca

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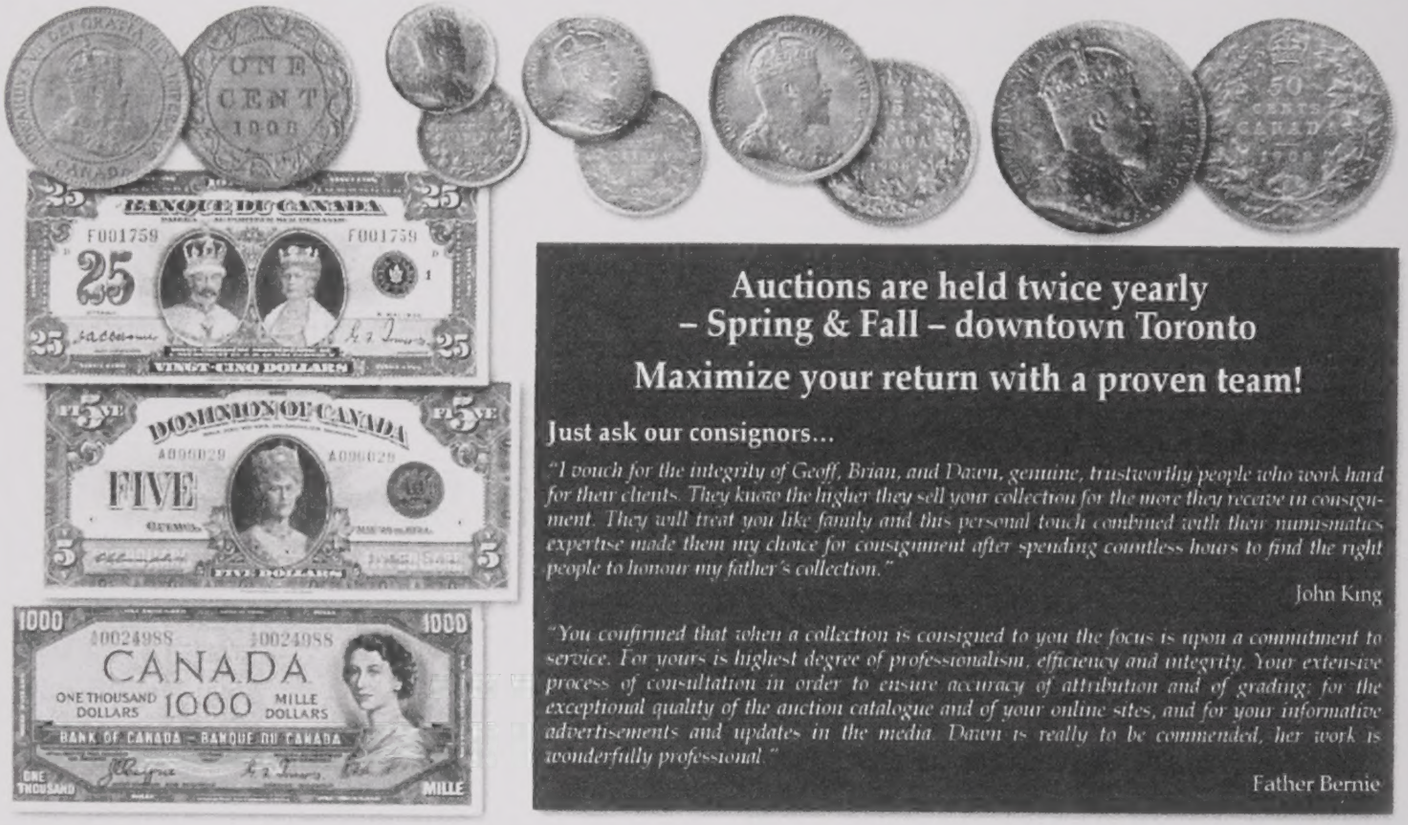

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